(*d*) whether they have not received complaints on this ;

(*e*) will they be pleased to note that the whole village and surroundings will be very seriously affected in health by this ;

(*f*) will they be pleased to give up this locality and take up some low lying lands nearer to the western "Kayals" (back waters)?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) to (*f*) No reply is necessary in view of answer to (*a*) above.

DAMAGE TO AGRICULTURISTS BY DIGGING UP OF PLOTS NEAR PULIANKARA CHIRA

135. Mr. K. Narayana Mennn *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received communication of a resolution passed at the meeting of the agriculturists of Peringavu and Cheroor bringing to the notice of the Government the serious damage and inconvenience caused to the Agriculturist cultivators by the digging up of the plots near "Puliankara Chira" in Peringavu Village ;

(*b*) will they please state what became of the representation and whether any final orders to any effect have been passed on the same ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) It was duly enquired into and finding that there was not much substance in the complaint it was recorded.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* May I know, Sir, whether there was some substance ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* The substance was that there were some pits and some water used to be collected in the pits.

PURCHASE OF PADDY

136. Mr. C. K. Nayar *(Nemmara):*

ഫ ഫ ഫൻ-ൽസംസ്ഥാനത്തിനകത്തുനിന്നു് ഒട്ടാകെ വാങ്ങിയ നെല്ലു് എത്രയാണെന്നു പറയുവാൻ ഗവൺമേണ്ടിനു ഭയവുണ്ടാകുമോ ?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):*

ഈ കൊല്ലത്തിൽ ഫൻ ര ര ജൂലായു് വ-ാംന-ക്ക ശരിയായ (ഫ ഫ ഫൻ മിഥുനം ഢ-ാംന-വരെ വാങ്ങീട്ടുള്ള നെല്ലു് ഭ ഢ, ഫ ഭ, ഠ ന്ത ഭ — വ — ഢ പറയാകുന്നു.

137. Mr. B. M. Peter *(Latin-Christians-Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

what is the total quantity of paddy purchased from each taluk for the year 1119?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):*

The total quantity of paddy purchased up to 25th Mithunam 1119 (8th July 1944).

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(*i*) Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk	..	2,10,849	6	12
(*ii*) Cranganur ,,	..	9,606	9	6
(*iii*) Mukundapuram ,,	..	6,51,461	5	4
(*iv*) Trichur ,,	..	7,83,495	4	2
(*v*) Talappalli ,,	..	16,19,757	8	8
(*vi*) Chittur ,,	..	19,41,896	4	2

138. Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there are any definite rules or principles regulating the acquisition of paddy from the tenants and landlords;

(*b*) if there are, what are they ;

(*c*) if there are not, will the Government be pleased to have some rules in that behalf ;

(*d*) is the Government aware that large stocks of paddy escape acquisition ?

Rao Sahib M.M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):*

(*a*) Yes. Certain guiding principles have been laid down.

(*b*) The cultivator is allowed sufficient paddy for vittu (seed), valli (payment for agricultural labour) and to meet the minimum needs of domestic consumption. All available

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surplus paddy is purchased by Government, care being taken to see that the incentive to cultivation is not adversely affected.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) No.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* May I know what exactly is meant by saying in answer to question (*b*) to see that the incentive to cultivation is not adversely affected ?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* A fair margin of profit should be made by cultivation.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Are these rules followed in the case of big jenmies also ?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* Yes.

SIRKAR PRIMARY SCHOOL, VILLEDAM—COMPLAINT AGAINST THE HEADMISTRESS OF

139. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received a complaint petition addressed to the Director of Public Instruction against the Headmistress, Sirkar Primary School Villedam M.L. Louis with serious allegations about the sale in Medam 18 of cloth turned out in the school from the yarn supplied by the Government;

(*b*) if answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, will they please state what has been done with the petition, and the final orders thereon ?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiyar *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No answer is called for in view of answer to (*a*).

140. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they had not received a complaint petition against the Headmistress, Sirkar Primary School, Villedam, regarding the sale of the usufructs of the jack-trees in the school compound;

(*b*) whether any enquiry was made thereon and with what result;

(*c*) were not the usufructs in question actually sold in auction once for Rs. 3—12—0 and pending orders of confirmation of sale resold for Re. 0—15—9 to the masapady of the school and the latter sale confirmed ?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiyar *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The enquiry proved that the complaints against the Headmistress were baseless, and the petition was dismissed.

(*c*) No.

141. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether a signed and stamped petition has not been submitted to the Director of Public Instruction against M. L. Louis, the Headmistress, Sirkar Primary School, Villedam, alleging among other things the following, *viz.*, (*i*) manipulations and tamperings of the attendance register of teachers inclusive of herself to conceal casual leave availed of without application by the Headmistress, (*ii*) tampering of the S.S.L.C. certificate book as to the date of birth of the Headmistress;

(*b*) will they please state what action was taken on this and with what result;

(*c*) what if any are the final orders on this petition ?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiyar *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The allegations were enquired into and it was found that most of the charges were made up and too silly to be taken any serious notice of.

(*c*) The assistant teachers were transferred elsewhere as it was suspected that they had no hand in the putting up of a complaint against the Headmistress.

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